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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1719

INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMCONSUL ASMARA

AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY ROME

C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 1410

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DEPT PASS USCINCEUR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CISCO II

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1. CAMPBELL'S COMPLAINT RE LACK OF COOPERATION ILL ACCORDS
WITH NOTE LEFT HERE FOR AMBASSADOR AND MRS. BREWER
SIGNED BY ALL THREE CAMPBELLS AND HARRELL, JUST PRIOR THEIR
PRE-DAWN DEPARTURE MAY 6. LETTER SAID IN PART "MAY WE...
THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR YOUR WONDERFUL HOSPITALITY AND
ALL YOUR EFFORTS ON OUR BEHALVES ... OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH
YOU ON OUR JOURNEY HOME. BLESS YOU AND SWEET DREAMS
(DREAMS DO COME TRUE)."

2. TO OUR SURPRISE, LEN CAMPBELL ON ARRIVAL HERE DID NOT EVEN
REQUEST EMBASSY KHARTOUM'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING
MEETING WITH NIMEIRI AND OTHER GOS OFFICIALS. BY PRE-
ARRANGEMENT, WE WOULD HAVE FACILITATED CAMPBELL'S CALL
ON UNDER SECRETARY OF FONMINISTRY BUT QUESTION NEVER AROSE.
AS TO INTERVENTION AGAINST ROBERTS' AND DOWNEYS'
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"EXPULSION", AMBASSADOR DID RAISE THIS MATTER WITH

BRITISH AMBASSADOR BUT TOOK POSITION THAT IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR THIS EMBASSY INTERVENE WITH GOS ON BEHALF OF BRITISH NATIONALS. NEVERTHELESS, DOWNEY THANKED EMBOFF IN WRITING FOR ASSISTANCE.

3. AS DEPT INDICATES, CAMPBELL IS SOMEWHAT CANTANKEROUS. HOWEVER, HE INDICATED HE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD UNFORTUNATE IMPACT UNDUE PRESS PLAY COULD HAVE ON OUR EFFORTS EXPEDITE RELEASE MICHALKE. AS RESULT, DO NOT BELIEVE DEPT SPOKESMAN SHOULD BE BRIEFED ON THIS MATTER UNLESS SOME OF CAMPBELL'S REMARKS DO FIND THEIR WAY INTO PRESS. BREWER

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